

Senator Curt Thompson

Senate District Five

Curt Thompson was first elected to the Georgia State Senate from the 5th District in 2004. Senator Thompson, a Democrat, represents part of DeKalb and Gwinnett counties. He is currently on the Economic Development, Higher Education, State Institutions and Property and Veterans and Military Affairs committees.

Sen. Thompson served Georgia in the House of Representatives from 2002-2004. Sen. Thompson is a life-long resident of Gwinnett County. Born in 1968, his family lived in Lilburn near Lake Lucerne, and Curt went to Shiloh High School. After law school, he moved to Norcross.

At Shiloh High, Sen. Thompson was a National Merit Scholar. He went to American University in Washington, D.C., majoring in International Studies and Broadcast Journalism. After graduating, Sen. Thompson went to law school at Georgia State. He passed the Bar in 1993 on his first attempt and has practiced law since then. Since 1997, he has been staff attorney for the International Brotherhood of Police Officers and also represents the International Association of Firefighters. Curt currently works as a labor lawyer for the Service Employees International Union (SEIU). He represents government employees and service workers as well as firefighters and police.

In addition to English, Sen. Thompson speaks Spanish, French, and German.

Sen. Thompson has been active in civic affairs as varied as his neighborhood garden club and the Mary Squires state legislative campaign. He has petitioned for speed bumps and opposed destructive re-zoning applications.

A member of the Church Council at St. James Lutheran Church in the district, Sen. Thompson also spent much of his life in the Religious Society of Friends (the "Quakers") serving five years on the Board of the Friends School of Atlanta. Other affiliations include Gwinnett County Habitat for Humanity, the Sierra Club, Norcross Cooperative Ministries, the AID Gwinnett, and the Gwinnett Philharmonic.